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FM AMEMBASSY CARACAS

TO AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 4876

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, NU, VE

SUBJECT: VENEZUELAN HONOR FOR PRESIDENT SOMOZA

REF: MANAGUA 4450

IN REGARD TO EMBASSY MANAGUA'S COMMENT REFTTEL, WE ARE INCLINED TO PERCEIVE DECORATION FOR SOMOZA AS LITTLE MORE THAN INTR-MILITARY COURTESY, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE VENEZUELAN'S TRIP WAS AT INVITATION OF NICARAGUAN NATIONAL GUARD WHICH PICKED UP ALL EXPENSES. CONSEQUENTLY, WE DOUBT THAT DECORATION REFLECTS ANY SPECIF DECISION BY GOV TO COURT SOMOZA, ALTHOUGH GOV IS, OF COURSE, NOT UNAWARE THAT SUCH COURTESIES ARE INDICATION OF ITS CARIBBEAN REGIONAL ROLE, EVEN WITH REGIMES WITH WHICH IT HAS LITTLE POLITICAL AFFINITY. IN ADDITION, WE NOTE THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO PUBLICITY HERE CONCERNING THE VISIT.  
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